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From the Evening Poſt, May 30.

Paris, June 5.

THE Queen is to keep her Bed a Month, in order to prevent ſuch an Accident as befell her laſt Year; her Phyſicians being ſtill of opinion that her Majeſty did not go her full Time.

Laſt Week a Peaſant lying down to reſt himſelf in the Wood of Marly, near a Marble Table, ſaw a Gold Spoon in the Dirt, which when he had waſhed it, he perceived had the Royal Arms and 3 Crowns engraven on it. How it came there is not known; but 'tis conjectured by ſome, that the late King did eat at that Table one Day when a-hunting.

From the Flying Poſt, May 30.

Oldam in Hampſhire, May 25. On Wedneſday laſt a famous Grazier of this Town, willing to gratify his Cuſtomers by regaling them, invited 'em to Dinner; and they, to ſhow their great Reſpect, 200 Horſe and Foot met in the Park, and proceeded in the following Manner to the Town: Firſt, 6 Running-Footmen all in white, with black Caps and white Wands in their Hands; next were a Body of Butchers on Horſeback, white Wands in their Hands, two by two; the next was Lord Strut, Senior Butcher, in a Scarlet Cloak and Tye-wig, and his Godſon William Kinchen, Butcher in Reading, with the Ninth part of a Man for the Muſician, in an open Chariot drawn by 9 Oxen, with a Poſtillion in Blue Livery: After that, the neighbouring Farmers and others, ſome on Horſe, and ſome on Foot, accompanied them to his Houſe. They were entertained in a very handſome Manner, with Veniſon, Ham and Fowls, and afterwards with a Sea of Punch, then Muſick and Dancing.

London, May 30. On Tueſday laſt his Majeſty gave the Royal Aſſent to the following Bills, viz. To an Act for the Sale of Annuities to the Bank, on the Coal Duty; That for Encouragement of volunteer Seamen; That for granting 500,000 l. for better Payment of Seamens Wages; That for the Duty on Low Wines; That touching the Duty on Wine Lees; That for Sale of the forfeited Eſtates which remain unſold in Scotland, That to oblige Ships effectually to perform Quarentaine; That to enable Perſons having Places in the Government to take the Oaths; That for Two Pennies Scots upon Ale in Edinburgh; That to erect a Bridge from Fulham to Putney in Surrey; That concerning the Church at Milbank; That for erecting a Workhouſe in Canterbury; Thoſe to repair the Roads about Maidſtone, Reading, Hocliff and Eveſham: And to 18 private Bills.

Rome, May 15. Several Cardinals have declared to the Pope their Surprize, that his Nephew Mr. Orſini, the Biſhop of Padua, was not included in the laſt Promotion of Cardinals. and intreated his Holineſs to honour him with the Purple. But the Pope, who was not pleaſed with theſe Words, as he came down from the Altar, ſaid he would make no more Cardinals for the future. Upon this the Cardinals who are Miniſters of the Foreign Powers, declared, as 'tis ſaid, That they had Orders not to acknowledge thoſe that were promoted laſt, till his Holineſs makes his Nephew a Cardinal.

Some Days ago the Pope performed the Ceremony of *curſing* certain Inſects that ruine the Fields.

From the London Evening-Poſt. May 30.

Moſcow, May 6. Count Sawa Uladiſlaus Raguſinski, Privy Counſellor and Ambaſſador of the Czar at the Court of Pekin in China, having finiſhed his Negociations, is upon the Point of his Departure to return home. That Miniſter has ſent hither an Abſtract of the Obſervations he has made in his Travels, together with a Plan of the City of Selginski upon the River Selenga, and a Scheme for building a new Town three Leagues from the former, upon a higher Ground, and upon a Peninſula upon the ſame River. This Scheme having been

been examined in Council, it has been resolved to put it in Execution; and several Engineers are already ordered to repair thither with all convenient Speed. The Commerce of Selginski is very considerable, on account of its lying so near China, and because the Caravans which go to that Country, always stop there by the Way, and will now be transferred to the new Town, where all the Inhabitants of old Selginski will go and settle. The younger of the Princes of Hesse-Homburg, died here the 29th of April O. S. of the small Pox. Baron Osterman is entirely recovered of his late Indisposition. The Emperor's Return to Petersburg is again put off for weighty Reasons.

Hamburg, May 28. The Affairs of the Altena Company have no promising Aspect, since the English and Dutch have declared, that such an Extension of Commerce cannot be pleasing to them. 'Tis pretended, That Duke Charles Leopold of Mecklemburg is gone to Berlin, to endeavour to engage the King of Prussia in his Interests; and that his Brother Duke Christian Lewis declines to accept of the Administration of the Dutchy, which has been adjudged to him by a Decree of the Imperial Aulick Council.

Petersburg, May 15. On the 13th arrived here Count Wratislaus, the Roman Emperor's Ambassador to our Court, who will pursue in a few Days his Journey to Moscow. Some Days ago the General Count Munich received an Express from Moscow, with Dispatches from the Privy Council concerning the Great Canal of Ladoga, and the Commerce which might by means thereof be brought upon a flourishing Foot: That Canal being already perfected from the Wolga to the Cabona, for the Space of 60 Miles, the Czar has ordered, that for the future all Persons whatsoever, who are disposed to bring their Commodities this Way, be they Goods or Provisions, may pass the said Canal without paying any Duty; whereby the Danger of passing the Lake Ladoga may be prevented; the heavy Freight which hitherto has been demanded of them saved, and a great deal of Time gained.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, London, June 1.

No Foreign Mails this Post

Remainder of the Additional Clause mentioned in our last, viz.

AND as to all other Ships and Vessels in the Service, the Wages due to the Officers and Seamen shall be paid in the Manner following; That when such Ships or Vessels shall have been 18 Months in Sea Pay, then the Wages for the first 12 Months thereof shall be paid within 2 Months after, or so soon after as any such Ship or Vessel shall be put into any Port where such Ships are usually paid, and so often as they shall have been 18 Months in Sea Pay, beyond the Time to which their Wages shall have been cleared, 12 Months more shall be paid in like Manner, and the Computation of the Months shall be reckoned 28 Days, according to the usual Course and Practice of the Navy.

The Complaints of Johnson the Soldier, consisting, as 'tis said of 3 Articles, viz. That he suffered 20 Weeks Imprisonment without Pay thro' Serjeant Dalton's Means; That 25 or 30 Men did the Duty of 60; That he complained to his Officers without any Redress of his Grievances. All which we are told have been examined with the greatest Exactness by the Court-Martial; but that the said Johnson had not been able to make good any of the said Articles. What Sentence the Court will pass upon him we do not yet know.

Yesterday the Court of King's Bench Westminster, after hearing the Arguments of Council learned in the Law, ordered Information to be filed against the Publisher of a certain News Paper of the first of February last, on Account of a Defamatory Libel against John Gumley Junior Esq; and others contained therein.

The Petition of the Inhabitants of Carolina contains a Representation of the great Grievances and intolerable Hardships they have groaned under by the Lords Proprietors of the Provinces, and sets forth, That the saids Proprietors nor their Assignies have to this Day been at any Charge, or used any Endeavours to propagate the Gospel among the barbarous People, who continue as ignorant of Almighty God and the Christian Faith, as before the granting of the Charter, the principal Design of granting the same, with such Power and Jurisdiction as was for the Good and Government of the Subjects of this Province: Yet that the Proprietors have so abused the Trust and Confidence reposed in them, as to have abandoned the Government

ment to evil Miniſters, and expoſed the Inhabitants to the Ravages of barbarous Enemies; That the Proprietors were empowered to build and to found Churches, Chapels, &c. in the Province, to be dedicated and conſecrate according to the Laws of the Kingdom, but have not to this Day erected any therein for Divine Worſhip, nor any School for the Education of Youth: Whereby the unhappy and woful Conſequences may be the Deſtruction of the Populace therein, who, for want of due Education, may become as barbarous as the native Savages; That the Proprietors are further obliged, by their Charter, to erect and build Forts, Caſtles, Towns and Villages, to be both fortified and furniſhed with all Stores and Ammunition, for the Safety and Welfare of the Province, againſt the Invaſions of the barbarous Indian Savages: But ſuch was their Negligence, that they have neither appropriate any of the Lands for erecting Towns or Villages, or ſo much as contributed one Peny towards the raiſing of any Fortifications thereon; ſo that the Inhabitants were obliged, for their own Safety and that of the Province, out of what little Eſtates they brought with them, to erect the ſame, againſt the vigorous Attempts made to ſubdue 'em.

P. S. The Swedes and Ruſſians are each haſtning a ſtrong Squadron to Sea. The Proteſtants in the Palatinate are again perſecuted with great Violence, being deprived of the Exerciſe of their Religion, their Miniſtry and Schoolmaſters, and many of them impriſoned.

Some Engliſh Gentlemen are arrived at Hanover to attend the Prince of Wales to London.

From Miſt's Weekly Journal, June 1.

They write from Petersburg, That 12 Men of War and ſeveral Fregats are ready to ſail, and 'tis ſaid they are ordered for Revel; there is alſo a Body of Land Forces to be tranſported to Finland. The Accounts from the Frontiers of Perſia take notice, that all Things are quiet there; and the Ruſſian Court has received Advices from Conſtantinople and Vienna, That the Porte has aſſured the Imperial Miniſter, That they will give no Aſſiſtance to Sultan Eſref againſt the Muſcovites.

From Bruſſels we learn, That the D. de Bournonville is ſtill in that City, and that he will not proceed to Soiſſons before the Return of an Expreſs which he has ſent to Madrid; and 'tis talked that he is to go to Paris firſt, to confer with C. Zinzendorf and other Miniſters.

From Warſaw, That a Footman having taken Sanctuary in a Church, ſome Dragoons were employed to draw him forcibly thence; but that they were obliged to do Penance for violating the Sanctuary of the Place, by walking before the Church with Packſaddles upon their Backs, to ſignify that they ought to be rid upon, and be uſed more like Beaſts than Men.

"This Piece of News has given us a Hint to "attempt a Diſſertation upon *Packſaddles*, where "will be ſhewn their firſt Riſe and Invention, "their Uſe and Importance to arbitrary Miniſters: In which alſo will be ſhewed that a Packſaddle is a courtly and faſhionable Dreſs; with "the Example of a whole Nation that has worn "them for ſeveral Years. A Treatiſe full of curious Learning.

They write from Vienna, That the Imperial Levies are ſtill carried on, and great Numbers of Men are raiſed. This, as well as ſome other Proceedings of the Imperial Court, induces Men to judge that they don't thoroughly depend upon the Succeſs of the Negociations at Soiſſons.

From Bologna, that two or three Days after the Chevalier de St. George returned from Venice, he ſet out again Poſt, attended by ſeveral Lords; but that it was not known where he was gone, nor was his Journey talk'd off before he ſet out.

They write from Edinburgh, That the Gariſons in the Highlands are haſtening to finiſh the Roads, and building of Bridges. They have alſo ſent out Parties to ſeek for the Family of the Grants and other Clans, who wear Dirks and other Arms without Licence.

S. S. Stock 106, 1 4th.

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The

† The Members of the honourable Society for improving in the Knowledge of Agriculture, are desired to attend the general Meeting of the said Society upon Saturday the eight Instant by twelve a clock, at James Cassie Vintner his House in Hope Park.

¶¶¶ That the Towns and Lands of North and South CADDELS, and Norne CADDEL and the Lands of Sower, with the Mill, Millands, Multures, Sucken and Sequels, and haill Privileges and Pertinents belonging thereto, lying in Hallkirk Parish and Sheriffdom of Caithness, holden Feu of the Laird of Ulbster, and extending of yearly free Rent to L. 652 8 sh. Scots Money, after Deduction of Feu and Tiend Duties and Ministers Stipends; All sometime pertaining to Richard Murray Merchant in Leith: Are to be exposed to publick voluntary Roup and Sale, by the Trustees for the Creditors of the said Richard Murray, upon Thursday the 4th Day of July next to come, betwixt the Hours of two and four in the Afternoon, within John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh. And that the Progress of the Writs of the saids Lands, Rental, and Conditions of Roup are to be seen in the Hands of Charles Farquharson Writer to the Signet, at his Writing Chamber in the 4th Storey of Gavinlock's Land on the North Side of the Street opposite to the Tolbooth, and another Copy of the Rental and Conditions of Roup is to be seen in the Hands of James Campbell Sheriff Clerk of Caithness, at his Office in Thurso.

¶¶¶ The Gentlemen Subscribers for the Encouragement of Musick, have appointed by their Articles a General Meeting to be held at Mary's Chappel in Niddery's Wynd, upon the second Wednesday of June, at four in the Afternoon, for the Election of their Officers, for admitting to the subscription all those Gentlemen who were Subscribers in the Year 1727, if they appear on the said Day by themselves or their Proxies, and for receiving the Applications of such others as desire to be admitted Members of the Society.

N. B. The Subscribers in the Year 1727, may have Access to subscribe every Friday, between six and eight in the Evening, at Mary's Chapel, before the General Meeting.

¶¶¶ The Trustees for the Creditors of Merchiston, Blair and Lethem, finding it absolutely necessary for the Security and Satisfaction of the Purchaser or Purchasers of their respective Estates, That an Adjudication thereof be led upon the several Grounds of Debt due by them to their Creditors, in order to prevent a Multiplicity of Diligence and Charges to the Creditors; propose to cause lead an Adjudication for Behoof of the whole Creditors, and for that End, have drawn up and caused print the Form of an Assignation, to be granted by each Creditor to them the Trustees, bearing to be to the Effect, That an Adjudication be raised, and other legal Diligence used, at the Trustees Instance, for the Behoof of their Creditors. And they desire the Creditors or their Doers, to call at the Writing-Chamber of their Clerk, to get a Copy, and cause immediately transcribe and sign the Assignation, and deliver in Extracts of their Grounds of Debts and of the said Assignation to *John Mein*, Writer to the Signet, their Clerk, at his Chamber 2d Stair below the Cross-well, Edinburgh; the Want of which Adjudication being now what only impedes the Sale of the Estates.

*** That the Lands and Houses belonging to Thomas Veitch Surgeon in Edinburgh, and disponed by him to Trustees for Behoof of his Creditors, are to be exposed to Sale by the said Trustees, by way of voluntar Roup, together or in Parcels, upon Monday the 17th of June Instant, in the House of Patrick Herdman Vintner, betwixt the Hours of 2 & 4 after Noon. Any Person having a mind to purchase, may see the Rental, Progress and Conditions of Sale in the Hands of James Veitch, at William Veitch's Writing-chamber at Don's Close-head.

THAT upon the 29th of *March* last, the General Meeting of the Adventurers in the BANK OF SCOTLAND did Appoint a Dividend of Profits of *Four per Cent.* on the Company's capital Stock, and did Order one Tenth of Stock to be raised and paid in by each Adventurer for strengthning and supporting the Company, and the said *Four per Cent.* Dividend, to be retain'd and imputed in part Payment thereof; and Ordained the other Sixty *L. Scots* on each Share, to be paid in to the *Treasurer* on or before the 15th of *June* next, with Certification as in the Act of Parliament erecting the BANK; and Appointed Interest to be discompted to such as shall pay before the said Day, from the Day he pays, till the said 15th of *June*. AND FURTHER, the said General Meeting upon Report from the *Court of Directors* that Payments were stopp'd at the BANK on *Wednesday* the 27th of *March*, thro' Deficiency and Want of Cash, occasioned by the great Embarasment that has been upon Credit and Circulation of Money in Payments for some Months bygone, arising from Causes and by Means, well known both in City and Country; tho' in the mean time, the Company has shown Good-will and Readiness to accommodate the Country, by their *Directors* Lenity towards their Debitors: And in Prosecution of their Opinions and Resolutions thereupon, for the Nation's Satisfaction, and for preserving and keeping up a Currency of Credit in Payments, for Support of Trade and Business according to the Company's Practice on the like Occasions, has Ordained, and hereby Ordains and Appoints all the Company's Notes of *L.* 100, 50, 20, 10 and *L* 5 *sterl.* (bearing Date the 16th *April* 1716,) and all their Notes of Twenty Shillings, (dated 2d *February* 1727,) to bear Interest according to Law from the said 27th of *March*, until the same shall be call'd in to be paid by publick *Advertisement* in the News-papers, or otherwise.

This by Order of the General Meeting of Adventurers.
Signed by. *DAVID SPENCE* Secretary.

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